

VI. Remarks.

The Examiner entered the following rejection.

1. Claim 1 is rejected under 35 USC 103(a) as being unpatentable over Schneider (US 4,484,903) in view of Huntley (US 4,498,892), Zimmer (US 4,718,880), and Hattori (US 4,604,082).

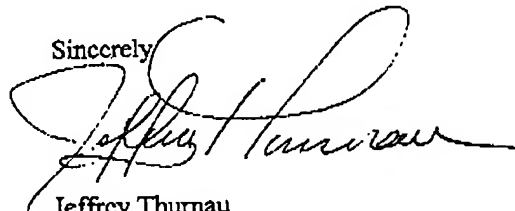
Amended claim 1 incorporates the limitation in allowable claim 2.

V. Fees.

Any fees applicable to this amendment should be deducted from deposit account 07-0475 in the name of the Gates Corporation. Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner pass this application to allowance.

Thank you for your attention to this case.

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